

CLAIMS

1. A device for treating fabrics in a tumble dryer comprising a patch having a front side and a back side, wherein the back side has a means for
5 attaching the patch to an interior surface of a tumble dryer,
wherein the front side is a carrier material that is impregnated with a fabric treatment composition and wherein the patch is attached to the interior surface of a tumble dryer door or back wall, whereby a portion of the fabric treatment composition is transferred onto fabrics in the tumble dryer as a
10 result of contact between the patch and fabrics during a tumble drying cycle.
2. A device according to claim 1 wherein the fabric treatment composition is selected from the group consisting of perfumes, anti-static agents, dye
15 transfer inhibitors, whitening agents, enzymes, stain repellents, insect repellents, sunscreens, malodour reduction or elimination agents, stain removers, and wrinkle reducing agents.
3. A device according to claim 1 wherein the device has an indicating means
20 which indicates to the user when the device is either low or out of fabric treatment composition.
4. A device according to claim 1 wherein the means for attaching the patch to an interior surface of a tumble dryer door is an adhesive.
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5. A device according to claim 4 wherein the adhesive provides adhesion at a temperature of up to 200°F.

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6. A device according to claim 1 wherein the device is flexible.
7. A device for treating fabrics in a tumble dryer comprising a patch having a front portion, a middle portion, and a back portion, wherein the back
5 portion has a means for attaching the patch to an interior surface of a tumble dryer door, the middle portion contains a carrier that is impregnated with a fabric treatment composition, and the front portion contains a flow control member or support member, and wherein the patch is attached to the interior surface of a tumble dryer door back wall whereby a portion of
10 the fabric treatment composition is transferred onto fabrics in the tumble dryer as a result of contact between the patch and fabrics during a tumble drying cycle.
8. A device according to claim 7 wherein the fabric treatment composition is
15 selected from the group consisting of perfumes, anti-static agents, dye transfer inhibitors, whitening agents, enzymes, stain repellents, insect repellents, sunscreens, malodour reduction or elimination agents, stain removers, and wrinkle reducing agents.
- 20 9. A device according to claim 7 wherein the device has an indicating means which indicates to the user when the device is either low or out of fabric treatment composition.
10. A device according to claim 7 wherein the means for attaching the patch to
25 an interior surface of a tumble dryer door is an adhesive.
11. A device according to claim 10 wherein the adhesive provides adhesion at a temperature of up to 200°F.

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12. A method of treating fabrics in a tumble dryer during multiple tumble drying cycles comprising attaching a device according to claim 1 to the inside of a tumble dryer door and carrying out a tumble drying process with fabrics inside the tumble dryer.

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13. A device according to claim 1 wherein the device is flexible.

14. A tumble dryer with a device according to claim 1.

10 15. A tumble dryer with a device according to claim 7.